

Parker Memorial Library
2010 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

COLLECTION, CIRCULATION, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Parker Memorial Library continues to be a center of activity and use. In 2010, the Library had 152,096 visits and circulated 256,820 books, DVDs, magazines, and other resources to the public.

The Parker Memorial Library now offers downloadable e-books and audio books, databases for practice tests on SAT's or professional licensing, business directories, computer e-books, and more. Each of these resources is available 24/7 to all residents of Dracut.

The Friends of the Parker Memorial Library held their Book Sale in May and their Holiday Auction in December. Both fundraising efforts were extremely successful. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time or attended these events.

In 2010, the Friends of the Parker Memorial Library once again supported the Museum Pass program along with Ms. Penny's children's programming and the annual Summer Reading program. Without the Friends, what the Parker Memorial Library is or could be would be lessened greatly.

While books certainly are part of what a library does, people whether it is the staff, the public, or our volunteers are the core of our library. The Trustees wish to recognize and thank the work and commitment of our volunteers. Further, the Trustees would like thank our fellow citizens and patrons for their continued support of the Parker Memorial Library.

BUDGET

The Parker Memorial Library met certification requirements with the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners for FY2010.

STAFFING

After almost four years, the Library bid farewell to Library Director Dana Mastroianni, who has accepted the directorship at the Topsfield Public Library.

The Library welcomed Randy Robertshaw as the new Library Director in October. Formerly, Mr. Robertshaw served as Library Director in Tyngsborough for four years. Mr. Robertshaw is a native of Lowell, MA, and a graduate of Simmons College in Boston, MA.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Library Trustees,
Randy Robertshaw, Director

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